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Surface Transportation Board Section of Environmental Analysis 1925 "K" Street, N.W., Room 504 Washington, DC 20423-0001

Attention: Ernestine Hedgetteth

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RE: Proposed Abandonment Exemption of the Jamaica Industrial Lead, formerly called Lincoln Subdivision, from the BNSF connection at M.P.

56.43 to the end of the line at M.P. 57.0, a distance of 0.5 miles in Lancaster County, Nebraska; STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 207X)

Dear Ms. Hedgetteth:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation of today, please be advised that the correct connection at Milepost 56.43 should be "BNSF" in the captioned matter. Union Pacific's Federal Register Notice, Petition and transmittal letter of June 11, 2003 reflect "BSNF". Please accept Union Pacific's apologies for any inconvenience this may have caused you.

I am enclosing an original and ten (10) copies of the corrected Federal Register Report and the second page of the Petition for Exemption for the Board's inclusion to the original filed Petition of Exemption.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosures

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DRAFT FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICE [49 C.F.R. § 1152.60(c)]

STB No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 207X)

Notice of Petition for Exemption to Abandon or to Discontinue Service



On June12, 2003, Union Pacific Railroad Company filed with the Surface Transportation Board, Washington, D.C. 20423, a petition for exemption for the abandonment of a line of railroad known as the Jamaica Industrial Lead, formerly called the Lincoln Subdivision, from the BNSF connection, at M.P. 56.43 to the end of the line at M.P. 57.0, a distance of 0.57 miles in Lancaster County, Nebraska (the "Line"). The Line traverses U. S. Postal Service Zip Codes 68508 and 68528. The proceeding has been docketed as No. AB-33 (Sub-No.207X). There are no agency stations on the Line.

The Line does not contain federally granted rights-of-way. Any documentation in the railroad's possession will be made available promptly to those requesting it.

The interest of railroad employees will be protected as required by 49 U.S.C. 10903(b)(2).

Any offer of financial assistance will be due no later than 10 days after service of a decision granting the petition for exemption.

All interested persons should be aware that following abandonment of rail service and salvage of the Line, the Line may be suitable for other public use, including interim trail use.

Any request for a public use condition and any request for trail use/rail banking will be due no later than 20 days after notice of the filing of the petition for exemption is published in the <u>Federal Register</u>.

Persons seeking further information concerning abandonment procedures may contact the Surface Transportation Board or refer to the full abandonment or discontinuance regulations at 49 CFR Part 1152. Questions concerning environmental issues may be directed to the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis, telephone (202) 565-1545.

An environmental assessment (EA) (or environmental impact statement (EIS), if necessary), prepared by the Section of Environmental Analysis will be served upon all parties of record and upon any agencies or other persons who commented during its preparation. Any other persons who would like to obtain a copy of the EA (or EIS) may contact the Section of Environmental Analysis. EAs in these abandonment proceedings normally will be made available within 60 days of the filing of the petition. The deadline for submission of comments on the EA will generally be within 30 days of its service.

BEFORE THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Office of Proceedings

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Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 207X)

Part of Public Record UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY
-- ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION -IN LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

(THE JAMAICA INDUSTRIAL LEAD, FORMERLY CALLED LINCOLN SUBDIVISION)



1.

INTRODUCTION

Union Pacific Railroad Company ("UP") hereby petitions the Board, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. §10502, to grant an exemption from 49 U.S.C. §\$10903 in order to permit abandonment of operations over the Jamaica Industrial Lead, formerly called the Lincoln Subdivision from the BNSF connection at Milepost 56.43 to the end of the Line at Milepost 57.00 in Lincoln, Nebraska, a distance of 0.57 miles in Lancaster County, Nebraska. There are no shippers on the Line that will be adversely affected by the proposed abandonment. Snyder Industries ("Snyder") was the only customer on the Line. Snyder is aware of the proposed abandonment, and it will not have an adverse effect on Snyder. Snyder has already terminated its rail use on the Line by relocating its operations to another rail carrier near the Line. Longer haul rail service will continue to be provided by UP to Snyder at Snyder's new location. A copy of this petition has been provided to Snyder.

UP seeks exemption of this proposed abandonment from regulation under 49 U.S.C. §10903 in accordance with 49 U.S.C. §10502 and the Rules applicable thereto at 49 C.F.R. §1121 and 49 C.F.R. §1152 and the Special Rules at 49 C.F.R. §1152.60.

